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REMARKS

The Official Action dated June 19, 2007 has been carefully considered. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the indication of allowance of claims 15 and 29-31. Consideration of the changes and remarks presented herein are believed sufficient to place the present application in condition for allowance. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

By the present Amendment, Claims 3-5, 9, 11-13, 18-19, 23, and 25-28 have been amended herein. Claim 32 has been added. Claims 8 and 22 have been cancelled. Support for the amendments can be found in the specification and claims as originally filed. Accordingly, it is believed that these changes do not involve any introduction of new matter, and entry is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested. Claims 3-6, 9-15, 18-20, and 23-32 remain in the present application and are believed to be in a condition for allowance.

In the Official Action, claims 3-6, 8-14, 18-20 and 22-28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Beach et al (U.S. Patent No. 5,874,172) in view of Robertson (U.S. Patent No. 4,504,313) and Chiang et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,352,771).

In order to expedite prosecution of this application, Applicants have cancelled independent claims 8 and 22 and amended dependent claims 3-5, 9, 11-13, 18-19, 23, and 25-28 to depend from allowed independent claims 30 and 31, whereby the Examiner's rejection is now moot.

It is believed that the above amendments and remarks represent a complete response to the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103, and as such, place the present application having claims 3-6, 9-15, 18-20, and 23-32 in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and an early allowance are requested.

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